



The Patriot Pulse



Tri-Village Local Schools



November 2015

Dear Patriots,

Although the majority of our leaves have fallen, hopefully we have some time before those first snowflakes hit the pavement. Our District administration understands that our decision to open or close school during inclement weather has a big impact on families. Therefore, this is an excellent time to review our District's practices and procedures regarding school closings or delays.

The determination as to whether school is closed or delayed begins at approximately 5:00 A.M. School district employees assess the road conditions by driving school district roads and neighborhoods. Other area school administrators and county officials are consulted before the final decision is made to delay or close school.

As soon as the decision is made to delay or close school, an automated One Call message will be sent to parents/guardians and staff members. To allow for a successful automated phone system process to occur, please assist us in making sure your contact information with current phone number(s) is updated. Please update your contact information in the main office if anything has changed since you submitted information at the beginning of the school year.

It is important for parents/guardians to have a plan in place in the event of a school delay or closing. Children tend to adjust to the situation if you have reviewed your family's plan ahead of time. We will continue to utilize school delays or closings with the students' best interests and safety in mind.

In closing, November is a time of gratitude and a time to count life's blessings. I want to thank you for your continued support of our students and our school community. On behalf of the Tri-Village Board of Education, staff and students, I wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Josh Sagester



Mr. Josh Sagester
Superintendent

Snow Day Reminders

Who makes the decision: Superintendent of Schools ultimately makes the final decision based on factors and recommendations from the Transportation Supervisor and Facilities Supervisor.

How do we make the decision: Please understand that we make the decision to open or close the school in bad weather based on a careful analysis of all the following factors:

- ◆ Information on road conditions from transportation staff, local law enforcement and road crews
- ◆ Amount of snow or ice accumulated
- ◆ Whether precipitation will continue throughout the day
- ◆ Temperature and wind chill
- ◆ Weather predictions
- ◆ Storm timing
- ◆ Facility Conditions
- ◆ Parking lot conditions



When is the decision made: We strive to make the decision by 5:45 A.M.

How is the public notified: One Call Now, Channel 2 (WDTN), Channel 7 (WHIO), Fox 45, District Web Page and District Twitter feed.

Veterans Day Breakfast

The Tri-Village MVCTC FFA Officer Team along with other TV student organizations prepared a breakfast for the area veterans on Veterans Day. The officers took great pride in being able to give some of their time to the veterans that have given so much to our country.

We will be recognizing our 2015 State Championship Boys Basketball Team and unveil a new banner at the first boys basketball game November 28th.

The ceremony will take place at the conclusion of the junior varsity game that night. The JV game will begin at 6 p.m. Please come out and show your support.



Tri-Village Community & School Fair, From Old Roots To New Beginnings

The 2015 Tri-Village Community & School Fair was held recently on October 2nd and 3rd. Several contests and events were held this weekend including crowning of the high school king and queen, the Little Mr. & Miss Patriot pageant, Cutest Patriot and pumpkin decorating contests, an auction, a parade, a band and dance performance, the Pinewood Derby, a mini tractor pull, crop and baking contests and two new events were added this year; a car show and alumni baseball game.

Candidates for king and queen, chosen by their classmates, were seniors Knox Morris and Jenna Fisherback, juniors Josh Wiford and Payge Malott, sophomores Camren Munchel and Morgan Sparks, and freshmen Corbin Holzapfel and Breanna Locke. Seniors Knox Morris and Jenna Fisherback won the vote by the student body and were crowned king and queen of the 82nd school fair. Braxton Bales & Ava Camacho were chosen winners of the 2015 Little Mr. & Miss Patriot pageant. Piper Graham won first place in the Cutest Patriot Contest, Paizley Graham was runner-up, and Calvin Crumley placed 3rd.



Over 50 decorated pumpkins adorned the hallway of the main entrance. This contest proved to have the most participation between students and adults. The talent and creativity that went into the carving and decorating of these pumpkins was appreciated by all who attended the event. The school was decorated by students with the school fair theme "Tri-Village Community & School Fair – From Old Roots To New Beginnings". Contest winners were Mr. Moore's class, Mrs. Bietry's class, and Mrs. Drew's class.

Another highlight of the weekend festivities was the annual school fair auction. Auctioneer Brian Rismiller did an excellent job. Without the support of the area businesses and community this event would not be possible.



The local fire departments participated in the annual parade along with numerous floats and several vintage cars. The 1st place float winner was the Wee Patriots, 2nd place went to the third grade class, 3rd place went to the second grade class, and 4th place went to the Kindergarten Club. A new event added this year was a car show. Winners were: *Favorite Dodge* – Steve Railsback, *Favorite Ford* – Joe Stockton, *Most unusual paint* – Jack Sullenbarger, and *Best in Show* – Dave George.

Unfortunately, because of inclement weather, the alumni baseball game had to be postponed until the following weekend. Even though the weather was not ideal, the Tri-Village band and dance team moved their performance inside to the gymnasium, while the kids enjoyed various games inside as well.

The Boy/Cub Scouts sponsored a Pinewood Derby race. *Winning Best of Show*: 1st place Bethany Ashbaugh, 2nd place Grant Jordan and 3rd place Jayden Hollinger. *Race winners* were: 1st place Wesley Osborne, 2nd place Kyrsten Ross, and 3rd place Kate Gross. *Winners of the mini tractor pull* were: Age 3-4 Quinten Smith 1st place, Alan Bruner 2nd place and Josalyn Curtner 3rd place. Age 5-6 Colton Pool 1st place, Aron Bruner 2nd place and Tessa Hayes 3rd place. Age 7-8 Alex Jackson 1st place, Shawn Moore Jr. 2nd place and Aden McConachie 3rd place.

Crop and produce top 3 categories winners, hosted by the Tri-Village MVCTC FFA, include: *Field Crop Division*, Trudy Snyder - Corn, *Garden Division*, David Wetzel – Pumpkin, *Canned Division*, Stephanie McConachie – Canned Vegetable.

Baking Contest Results: *Cupcakes*: PK-6th - 1st place Kearstin Auske. *Decorated Cupcakes*: Adult - 1st place Rachel Shaw. *Cookies*: Adult - 1st place Trudy Snyder. *Decorated Cookies*: Adult - 1st place Rachel Shaw. *Decorated Cakes*: Adult - 1st place Isabelle Long. *Candy*: 7th -12th - 1st place Stevie Wright. *Candy*: Adult - 1st place Rachel Shaw. *Pies*: PK-6th - 1st place Camryn Wyne. *Pies*: Adult - 1st place Altha Sullenbarger. *Family Project*: 1st place Zane and Wesley Osborne. *Unique Items*: 1st place Aden McConachie.

The Tri-Village Community & School Fair Committee would like to thank all those individuals who participated in various contests, volunteered their time, donated prizes or contributed in any way to the 82nd Tri-Village School Fair. We sincerely appreciate the area businesses who placed ads in our school fair book and supplied prizes for bingo, the auction, the pumpkin contest, the Cutest Patriot contest, the Little Mr. & Miss Patriot pageant, the high school crowning of the king & queen, the crop and produce contest, various games, the mini tractor pull and the Pinewood Derby. Thank you Tri-Village Student Council & Jr Class for providing delicious meals and New Madison United Methodist church for offering free ice cream. And a big thanks to the numerous community and school fair committee members and Tri-Village staff and administration who volunteered their time all weekend so this annual event could take place.